

**MCPO Thomas J. Cowan**  
Reserve Command Master Chief  
MLC PACIFIC

MCPO Thomas J. Cowan is the Reserve Command Master Chief for the Maintenance Logistic Command Pacific. His previous Gold Badge assignments include 4 years as the District Eleven Reserve Command Master Chief and a six month deployment in 2005 to Guantanamo with Port Security Unit 311. He was promoted to Master Chief in January 2003.

Master Chief Cowan enlisted in the Air Force in 1973 as a Security Specialist. He served four years on active duty including a year in Southeast Asia before separating in 1977. In 1984, he enlisted in the Coast Guard Reserve as a Public Affairs Specialist with Reserve Unit Salt Lake City. Other Coast Guard assignments include Reserve Unit National Strike Force Coordination Center; Public Affairs Detachment San Pedro, CA; PACAREA Public Affairs, Alameda; and 18 months recall under Title X orders to G-IPA-2 at Coast Guard Headquarters.



His awards include the Meritorious Service Medal, CG Commendation Medal with 2 stars; CG Achievement Medal with 1 star; Commandant's Letter of Commendation; Joint Meritorious Unit Citation; Coast Guard Unit Citation; Coast Guard Meritorious Unit Commendation; Coast Guard Meritorious Team Commendation with 4 stars and "O" device; Coast Guard Reserve Good Conduct (7); Armed Forces Reserve Medal with M device x 3; and others.

In civilian life Mr. Cowan is Chief of Production for the U. S. Air Force's 367th Training Support Squadron at Hill AFB, UT. He holds an MFA degree in film production from the University of Utah (member Phi Kappa Phi honor society) and two BA degrees from Weber State University. As a reservist he is a graduate of KEYSTONE at the National Defense University, the USCG Senior Enlisted Leadership course, the Reserve Component National Security Course, and the Chief Petty Officer Academy Reserve Class XI. As a civilian Mr. Cowan completed non-resident USAF Air Command and Staff College and is a graduate of the Air Force's Squadron Officer School resident program.